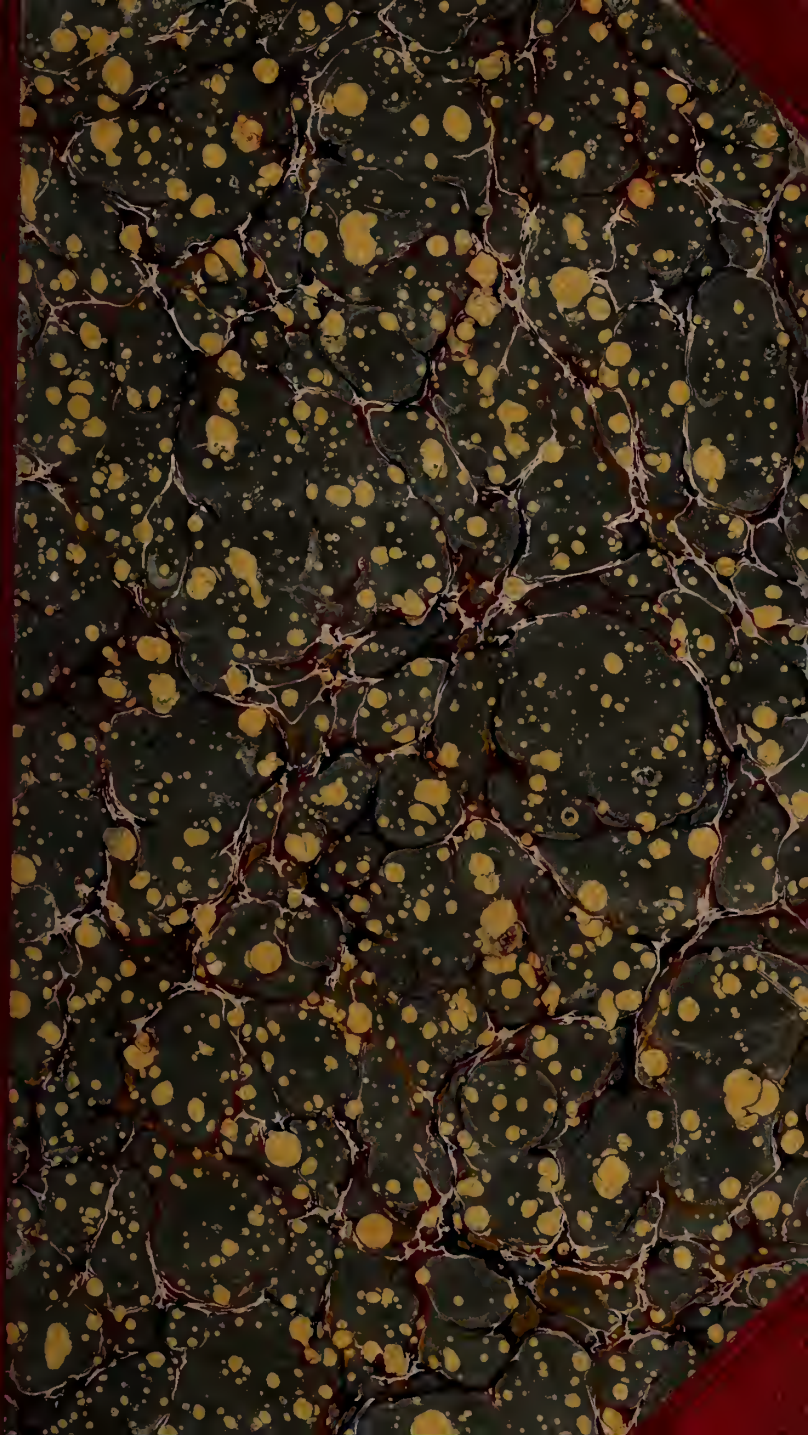

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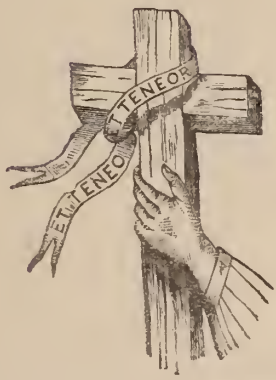

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Abroad.

SIAM.

Wedged in between native and British Burmah on the west and Anam or Cochin China on the east, lies the independent kingdom of Siam, with its tributary Laos states or principalities.

Over all the vast region of tropical Asia known as Farther India, Buddhism, driven from its birth-place and former seat of power in India proper, has now for centuries borne sway. Nowhere, however, has it been more devoutly cherished than in Siam, where every hamlet has its Buddhist temple, with attendant priests, and where, at the capital city, the temples may be counted by hundreds and the yellow-robed priests by thousands. Upheld for generations by all the power of a despotic government, it has become interwoven with all the ideas and customs, social and civil, of everyday life. As one of the strongholds, then, of this remark-

able system of religion which controls one-third of the human race, where its effects on national character and prosperity are so evident, where the battle between light and darkness, Christian truth and pagan error is now being fought, Siam presents an interesting study. It is, moreover, a land just awaking, like Japan, from the sleep of ages, roused by influences emanating from the Christian civilization of the West, and under the guidance of its intelligent and liberal-minded young king, one of the most promising of Asiatic princes, it is most commendably seeking a respectable place among the nations of the earth.

THE PEOPLE.

The population of Siam, five millions or more (no official census has ever been taken), is not so great as would be supposed, considering its extraordinary fertility of soil, and the fact that it covers an area perhaps twice as large as Great Britain. The desolations of frequent wars, the unchecked ravages of small-pox and other epidemics, and ages of bad government, worse than sterility or drought, have prevented increase of numbers.

Much of Siam proper is a rich, alluvial plain, through which the beautiful Meinam (Mother of Waters) wends its way to the Gulf. Like the Nile, this river annually overflows its banks, thus admirably adapting the land to the cultivation of rice, the chief staple of the country. Of this, more than five million dollars' worth is annually exported. Sugar-cane, pepper, tobacco, indigo, cotton, &c., are cultivated; various dye-woods and valuable gums are found in their forests, and every kind of tropical fruit abounds. Rice for the table is less than one and a half cents a pound, and their delicious fruits are wonderfully cheap. With the Siamese, therefore, life is not a very violent struggle for existence; and as the climate reduces the necessary outlay for clothing and shelter to a minimum, the wonder is that, with so little motive for exertion, in so sultry and enervating a clime, they are not even less industrious than they are.

The Siamese, in complexion, are like the Indians of our own country, brown or copper colored, though the shades vary greatly

in different individuals. Like them, too, their hair is black, coarse and straight, and their faces more inclined to the square than the oval. In stature, they are quite below that of the average European. They would be a tolerably good-looking race, but for the universal custom common to both sexes, of blacking their teeth, and also of keeping the hair closely shaven or shorn, save a circular tuft four inches in diameter, on the summit of the head. This is allowed to grow about an inch in length, and being combed straight up, has the appearance of an inverted circular shoe-brush.

They have also a disgusting practice, in which all classes indulge, and to which the women are even more addicted than the men, that of chewing betel, or rather a quid compounded of betel-nut, seri-leaf, quick-lime (colored red) and tobacco. The constant mastication of this vile mixture, with which their mouths are ever filled to overflowing, does not add to their beauty of expression.

Of all nations making any pretensions to civilization the Siamese wear the least clothing. Their entire dress consists of a single piece of cotton or silk cloth, one yard wide and about three yards long, twisted around the loins, covering them only from hip to knee, leaving the rest of the person nude; though to this the women add a bright-colored scarf, passing over the left shoulder and under the right arm and covering the breast. In this costume, or rather lack of costume, all classes go forth to the business or pleasures of the day. But, in the matter of costume, the last few years have witnessed great changes among the better classes of the people. The late king required jackets to be worn in his presence; and his successor, with still more advanced ideas of propriety, insists upon his courtiers always being completely clothed. They must wear underlinen, vests and coats, collars and neckties, shoes and stockings. From the courtiers this new custom is spreading to all who aspire to respectability; and now, official returns show that into this country, where, a very few years ago, the highest in rank went bare-footed and bare-headed, no less than sixteen thousand dollars' worth of shoes and eighteen thousand dollars' worth of hats were imported in a single year.

As to character, the Siamese are mild and courteous, fond of

their children, respectful to their parents and to the aged, shrewd, inquisitive, quick of apprehension; but they are haughty and oppressive to inferiors, servile to superiors, indolent, crafty, selfish, untruthful, given to flattery and dissimulation. They are fond of bantering each other, very fond of music and theatrical performances, and addicted to gambling, and, though their religion forbids it, they are inclined to indulge in the use of spirituous liquors, with which foreigners and Chinese are but too ready to supply them.

THE GOVERNMENT.

The government of Siam is an absolute monarchy. The common title by which the king is known is *Chow Chewit*, or lord of life; and, were he a divine personage, greater reverence could scarcely be shown to him, than, down to the last reign, has always been paid by this people to their sovereign. The highest princes and nobles prostrated themselves in the dust at his sacred feet and dared not look up. His name was whispered only, and even now, when the young king goes abroad, altars are set out at every door, with offerings of fruit and flowers, and tapers are lighted as he passes by.

All the males in the kingdom are subject to the king's service, and, with certain exceptions, are marked for this (branded, it might almost be said), by having indelibly tattooed on the wrist the words "*Prai Luang*" (slave of the king). Not less than one month of service in every four is exacted; and, at the stated times, thousands of them come in from the country in the little covered boats that are to be their homes till the month expires. Some commute for this work of the king by money payments.

Beside this universal subjection to the king and the slavery of the numerous captives taken in war and their descendants, multitudes of the people—more than three-fourths of them, indeed—are bond-slaves for debt. The rate of interest, in consequence of their general distrust of each other, is not less than thirty-seven and a half per cent.; so that a small sum borrowed soon puts the debtor hopelessly in the power of the creditor. It is a common practice with the Siamese, when thus embarrassed, or when they wish to raise money for gambling or other purposes, to sell them-

selves, or, more often, their wives and children. In such cases, their services to the creditor do not go towards discharging the debt, but are simply in lieu of the interest upon it; so that this bondage once incurred continues not unfrequently for life.

THE WOMEN.

As to the condition of woman in Siam, she has more liberty than in most other Asiatic countries, not being shut up in zenanas, except in the case of the women of the royal harem, but left free to go abroad at pleasure, visiting the bazaars, temples and all public places, engaging in business for herself, or assisting her husband in his. Women, however, according to the Buddhist system of religion, are regarded as inferior to men. They are born women because of demerit contracted during some former state of existence. By alms-giving to the priests, by idol-worship, or some other meritorious act, they can, however, better their condition, so that in some future birth, they may hope to appear on the stage of life as one of the *nobler* sex.

As children grow up, the boys, when seven or eight years old, are always sent to the temples to attend upon the priests, in return for which they are there taught to read and write their mother-tongue. But no provision is made for the education of girls, consequently, till very recently, it was rare to find a woman anywhere who knew a letter, though full eighty out of a hundred of the Siamese *men* are intelligent readers.

In Siam polygamy is universal, or concubinage rather, for one wife only is esteemed the true wife, or mistress of the family, the others being styled the *mea noi*, or lesser wives. To the number of these there is no limit, save the ability of the husband to procure and support them. Indeed, the number is regarded as indicating the rank and wealth of the possessor. In some of the households of the nobility there are found six, twelve, twenty and sometimes even fifty wives. The late second king (for, strange to say, they have two kings) is known to have had one hundred and twenty wives. The supreme king had probably as many, for he was the father of eighty-one children, sixty-seven of whom survived him.

The envyings, jealousies and quarrels on account of the children, and among them, in families thus constituted, can easily be imagined. Divorce is common and easily obtained, a writing of divorcement being, in some cases, all that is necessary. The women grow up with sadly vacant minds, and seem to chew betel incessantly as a substitute for thought. Though industrious in the routine of household drudgery, they have little idea of tidiness in their homes. Their husbands have no occasion to complain of the discomforts of house-cleaning. Some of the women are inveterate gamblers. A large number squander their money in the purchase of lottery tickets, and all greatly delight in listening to theatrical entertainments, which are often unfit for feminine ears. Accustomed from childhood to hear and to indulge in the use of the vilest language, purity of heart must be as rare with many of them as corruption of heart is universal with the other sex.

Women in Siam do much for the support of the prevailing religion. They rise at early dawn to cook the rice that is dealt out daily to the troops of shaven-headed priests, who, at sunrise, go their rounds from house to house. They prepare the wax tapers, and dye and make up the yellow robes to be presented to the priests on merit-making occasions. They constitute the larger proportion of the crouching audiences that assemble at public preaching places or in private houses, to listen to Buddhist preaching. At such services, the priest, sitting cross-legged in a large arm-chair, simply reads from one of their sacred books, in a sing-song tone, some of the teachings of Buddha, in the Pali, which is to their auditors an utterly unknown tongue.

A melancholy sight it is to see the earnest devotion with which aged women, whose time for merit-making is short, attend these wearisome and profitless preaching services and feed the priests at early morn. If there is any one thing more sad than this, it is to see the heathen mother lead her dear, innocent child to the temple, and there, before some huge idol, the sight of which fills it with awe, put a flower between the palms of its little hands and teach it to bend the knee and bow the head three times to the floor, thus giving it its first lessons in idol-worship.

BUDDHISM.

Buddhism, as practically held by the people at large, is a religion of mere externals. Its devotees build *wats*, or monasteries, and pagodas, make, gild and worship images of Buddha, become priests, or bear the expense of ordaining one, dispensing rice to them daily, visit the temples on sacred days, listen to preaching and scrupulously refrain from taking animal life. On these and like works of merit, they rely for a "title clear" to a favorable birth at their next transmigration.

The land is full of images of Buddha. In some temples hundreds and even thousands can be counted. One, at Ayuthia, has no less than fourteen thousand, of all sizes and material. In Bangkok, there is a reclining image, which, by actual measurement, is one hundred and sixty-two and a half feet long, richly gilded from head to toe. A colossal sitting image, seventy feet high, is in another temple near.

IMPROVEMENT.

The present king seems to feel bound, as the head of the state, to maintain all the observances of the state religion. Bold innovations, however, have been made by him in other time-honored observances and institutions of the land. Educated in all the enlarged and liberal ideas of his father, the monarch who was first to open the kingdom to commerce and western civilization, and who, by the way, gained those ideas of progress chiefly from his association with the American missionaries, the young king has since he ascended the throne, in 1868, done much to carry forward the improvements already begun.

A great change was made on his coronation-day, when the servile crouching, like dogs, of all inferiors before their superiors in rank, till then universal, was forever done away with. He has taken some steps towards abolishing slavery; has established a large free school for boys at the palace; has a weekly gazette, issued from the royal press; has beautified his capital with public gardens and new and well-built streets; has introduced the electric telegraph and wheeled carriages, unused before. Moreover, he is

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partial to America and Americans. He contributed a handsome exhibit to our Centennial Exhibition, and is seriously contemplating the sending of thirty chosen Siamese youth to this country to be educated.

But we trust a day of better things in religious matters, also, for this people, is at hand. The seed which, now, for many years, has been sown broadcast, or more carefully planted in individual hearts, is beginning to bear fruit. The early laborers waited long, and some died without the sight. Many had at different times become more or less interested in the teachings of the missionaries, but their fear of man was too great; their masters might flog or put them in irons; the king might be angry and put them to death, if they forsook the religion of the country and embraced the religion of the foreigner. Not till the twelfth year after our mission was established was one found bold enough to "stand up for Jesus." Others, from time to time, were gathered in, male and female, of late years in a rapidly-increasing ratio, till, during the last Presbyterial year, there were added to our three churches in Siam and Laos fifty-one new converts from heathenism.

MISSION STATIONS.

The principal mission stations of our Board in Siam are at Bangkok and Petchaburi. At Bangkok, a city of four hundred thousand inhabitants, which is situated on the Meinam river, twenty-five miles from its mouth, there are two important stations, some five miles apart, one in the lower suburbs of the city, the other nearer the centre, opposite the palaces of the kings. At the upper station is an interesting girls' boarding-school, commenced in May, 1874, after many faith and patience trying delays. It is the child of many prayers, and has about twenty pupils. For the fine school edifice the ladies of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of the Synod of Albany expended three thousand dollars. Seven, enrolled as pupils of this school, have already been baptized and received as communicants in the native church. Mrs. Van Dyke and Miss Kooser, who has just gone out to fill Miss Grimstead's place, have charge of the school, while Maa Tuan,

an interesting Christian woman, is native teacher and matron. It has well repaid every effort made in its behalf. There is also a mission chapel, used for school purposes during the week, for which the ladies above mentioned expended one thousand dollars.

At the lower station there is also a mission chapel, a boys' boarding and day-school, of about forty pupils, and a small day-school, recently opened, under the superintendence of Mrs. Dunlap, and taught by Luey, the first graduate from the girls' boarding-school. From the printing-press at this station there are issued, annually, in the Siamese language, thousands of Christian tracts and portions of the Scriptures, of which very nearly, if not all, have now been translated.

At Petchaburi there is one principal station where there is a mission chapel and a small printing-press. There are several girls' schools in the city and neighboring villages, under the care of Mrs. McFarland, Miss Coffman and Miss Cort. A large building for a girls' boarding-school is nearly completed, built with funds contributed by the New York and Philadelphia societies. To this the king gave one thousand dollars and several noblemen gave sums amounting to twelve hundred more, which shows that not only schools, but *female* education is gaining in favor.

There was a station at Ayuthia, the old capital city, fifty miles north of Bangkok, but it was abandoned when the missionaries in charge were obliged to return to the United States. Yuan, a worthy native licentiate, has recently been sent there, and the native church in Bangkok has built him a house and pledged itself for his support.

Among the Laos, a people very similar to the Siamese in language, customs and religion, our Board has a promising mission, established in 1867, at Chieng-Mai, a city on the Meinam, five hundred miles north of Bangkok. There are two missionary families here. A letter recently received from Mr. McGilvary, dated December 13th, states that during the last twenty months nineteen adults had been received into the Church; and he adds, "never has the work here been so interesting as it is now."

Of the mission in Siam it may also be said that never in its his-

tory has the aspect of the work seemed more encouraging. The harvest truly is great, but, alas! the laborers are few. Our Board has in the field, at present, only five ordained missionaries, three married, and three single ladies. And let us remember that, in the providence of God, to our Church alone is now committed the duty and privilege of evangelizing this interesting people; for, with the exception of the Baptist Mission to the Chinese in Siam, the Boards of all other denominations have withdrawn from the field. Let us not prove unfaithful to the solemn responsibility of rescuing from idolatry and the dominion of Satan these perishing millions, whose souls are as precious as ours, and whose salvation will so greatly redound to the glory of our Redeemer! H.

BOOKS ON SIAM.

For sale by the Presbyterian Board of Publication, 1334 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

Land of the White Elephant. Frank Vincent, Jr. $3 50.
Siam: Its Government, Manners, Customs, &c. Rev. N. A. McDonald.

RECENT MISSIONARY NEWS.

In the March number of this magazine Mrs. Capp wrote of a man, his wife and two children, who were baptized and received into the Church, and added, "These persons have yet to be tried, but special prayer has been made for them, and we hope they will prove faithful." The prayer has already been answered in the case of the wife, of whose triumphant death we learn from

MRS. SHAW, TUNGCHOW, CHINA.

"Early this morning Mr. Diao came to tell me that his wife was dead, and the day has been spent in preparing clothing for her and the three motherless little ones. This woman's history is one of the interesting stories that I have waited long to tell. When about seventeen years of age she was carried away from her home near Chenanfoo, and has not heard from there since. After a time she was married to an opium smoker, who sold her (his money having soon given out) to her present husband, with whom she has lived as pleasantly as Chinese families do. At one time she worked for

Mrs. Mills, and there heard much of the truth, and though she soon afterwards left the city and heard no more of Christianity for years, she remembered much that had been told her. About a year ago the family returned to Tungchow, and since then they have heard much of Christian doctrine. In the spring Mrs. D. was anxious to join the church, but some of the session feared that she hoped for pecuniary gain (they were very poor), and advised delay; when, however, in the fall not only she but her husband desired to profess their faith in Christ, all felt that there should at least be an examination. This was most thorough and satisfactory; it was plain that the Lord Himself had been leading them, and they were both received. About this time the eldest son was taken very sick, and for two weeks the mother watched him night and day. How well I remember her coming to me one morning, the tears streaming down her cheeks, saying, 'I think Ti-g is dying. What shall I do? Do you think he will go to heaven? Oh, I am so afraid he will not be saved! Yesterday he kept calling me to help him, not to let him die. I told him I could do nothing, he must beseech the heavenly Father. All night he kept saying, "Heavenly Father, make me well, I don't dare to die; make me well, make me well!"' The child recovered, but the strain had been too great for the mother, and she was taken with typhoid fever. From the first she was very ill, and seemed to think she should not recover. Twice she sent for me, and the second time we had a most precious talk. Oh, it would be rich pay for all I have left in dear America, if I might lead one single soul from heathenism to such a death! I sat on the *kang* beside the poor woman, while we talked of the home to which she was going and of the little ones to be left. She said, 'I used to fear death, but now I am not afraid, Jesus will quickly take me home. My heart has been troubled about the children, but now it is all right, the Heavenly Father will take care of them. I shall hunt for Mrs. Mills. I will know her, and tell of Calvin and Eddie and Charlie and Rose; she will be so glad. You will not forget your little scholar; teach him to be good, to love Jesus.' Do you wonder that there were more smiles than tears as we talked together?"

MRS. JOHN BUTLER, FORMERLY MISS HARSHBERGER, NINGPO, CHINA.

"The news of Miss Houston on her way to Ningpo was a joyful surprise; our hearts and voices ascended in a glad thanksgiving. She comes just at the right time; by September she will be able to teach in the school, and I can devote all my time to the women and the day schools. The school is very promising, and the native Christians are becoming satisfied to have it under the control of us women."

MRS. MCFARLAND, PETCHABURI, SIAM.

"While your thoughts are full of the difficulties of raising money and the necessity for economy, we have little time to think of anything but the wide-open doors, the expanding work, and our utter inability to do half the Master seems to be putting into our hands. If you could send out *one hundred* laborers for Siam they could all find pleasant homes, and work enough to fill head, heart and hands.

MISS NASSAU, AFRICA.

"When will our American Presbyterians, rich in money, talent, enterprise and numbers, plant mission stations on the vast regions through which the kingly Congo pours its rapid flood? When will they complete from the western coast the chain of gospel-lighted homes which the Scotch and English societies have so magnificently commenced on the great lakes? Oh, I do wish you would read more about Africa, the Africa of to-day!"

MRS. CONDIT, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA.

"The dedicatiou services of our new Mission House were very pleasant, in spite of rainy weather and bitter opposition to the Chinese. We feared trouble, as threats had been made to burn it down, but God was our help, and nothing worse occurred than the breaking of a glass by a rude boy. We have opened our evening school with seventy-eight scholars, and must have another teacher next week. We are praying for help from some quarter,

but just how it will come we do not see. There were seventy-five boys at our Wednesday evening prayer meeting. Does it not seem marvellous that a people so ready to be taught and so anxious to hear the gospel should be so persecuted? California needs the prayers of God's true people."

Miss M'Ginnis, Kolapoor, India,

gives in a private letter some particulars of the illness and death of Mrs. Goheen, which, as an aid to our faith, it seems right to make public. Her disease was consumption, and the physicians think that her life was prolonged by a residence in the warm climate of India. "For her the last four months have been full of weariness, oftentimes of great suffering, but last Thursday morning (January 17), the messenger came and she departed into the land of life and light. She was more than willing, glad to go, not merely to be free from pain, but to be in the presence of her Saviour, to be able, as she said, 'to serve Him perfectly.' Many times during the last night she spoke of the presence of Jesus as very precious. When we laid her away in the native Christian burial ground that same evening, about nine o'clock, in the beautiful moonlight, it seemed a fitting close to a lovely life. We miss her sadly, and it is with heavy hearts that we turn to take up our usual duties. Short as was her missionary life, it was not without fruit. Those whom she taught felt that here was some one who loved them, some one who was anxious to have them love Christ. Indeed I think that was the feeling of every native who talked with her, and our English friends were impressed with the beauty of her Christian life, one of them saying that she would give all she possessed for such a faith as Mrs. Goheen's. When constant nursing became necessary, we were obliged to entrust the native teachers with more responsibility in the school, and the result has been so gratifying that we desire now to open another school for higher caste girls within the native town, similar to the one at Panalla. That has now forty names on its roll, and Mrs. Graham is as devoted to the school and all its interests as any one could possibly be."

At Home.

"WHAT SHALL WE DO NOW?"

EVANGELISTIC work has come to be preëminently popular in this land. But, while it may accomplish much good, it cannot take the place of constant, diligent pastoral work. The evangelist may come into a congregation, break up the fallow ground, and sow broadcast the seed; but unless the faithful pastor comes after to dig, and prune, and train, alas for the tender shoots! The weeds of worldly care will soon spring up and choke or the hot sun of prosperity wither them.

Very much the same is it with our auxiliaries. Miss Loring, or some other good worker in the cause, is invited to come and make a stirring appeal. Sympathy for the poor heathen is aroused, and an organization is easily effected. Then comes the question with which we set out: "What shall we do now?" It was asked me once by the secretary of a new organization, just after they had adopted a constitution, and elected their officers. I replied: "In the first place, you must have a meeting; open it by reading from the Scriptures, by singing and prayer." "Ah," said she, "that is what we cannot do, for there is not one among us who will lead in prayer." "Then you must stop right there, and not attempt to go one step farther till that difficulty is out of the way."

It was my privilege to spend some weeks during the summer in the bounds of a congregation where an auxiliary had been recently organized. Much the same state of things existed there in the outset. After a careful consideration of the whole matter, the ladies came to the wisest possible conclusion, and that was to start a female prayer-meeting "as a feeder." The plan adopted was, to have only those attend this meeting who were willing to respond, if called upon to pray.

The number increased rapidly, and every one was surprised to

find how soon the difficulty vanished. Equally surprised and delighted were they to find how these precious little meetings helped them in their Christian living; how their tongues were loosed to talk as well as pray. The painful reserve that so often characterizes Christians on the subject of religious experience gradually yielded, and they could speak one to another of the trials and comforts of the way in which the Lord was leading them. As a necessary result, deeper interest was awakened in the cause of missions and in every department of Christian work. Could pastors hear the earnest prayers that go up for them in these little circles of praying women, they would put forth more effort to have female prayer-meetings started and sustained in their churches.

To this suggestion, however, the reply is so often made: "It would be quite impossible for us to have a prayer-meeting; our ladies could not or would not keep it up." But you have not tried, and until you do, you cannot know what is possible or impossible.

Other societies have made the attempt in fear and trembling, and gone on until they have learned to love and prize their prayer-meeting to a degree that precludes the very thought of giving it up. We may as well come to it first as last that the work cannot be done without patient, persevering, self-denying effort.

Our blessed Master did not mark out for us a path of ease or luxury. Pointing back to His midnight vigils, His lonely mountain prayers, and His wearisome journeys as He went about doing good, He says to us: "*This* is the way, walk ye in it." Can we not hear that sorrowful voice from Gethsemane coming down the centuries to us—"What, could ye not watch with me one hour?"—each week?

If any society has become discouraged, not knowing what to do next to inspire their own hearts with more love and zeal, or to awaken interest in the hearts of others, let them try a prayer-meeting. If only six can be depended upon to attend, begin; if only three, or even two, make a start; they, at least, will secure the blessing. J. M. H.

The following "Tabular Statement" was prepared as an appendix to a paper on "The Work of American Women in Foreign Missions," by Mrs. M. B. Norton, read before the Woman's Congress, in Cleveland, O., Oct. 11, 1877.

Name of Society.	Denomination.	Organized.	Periodicals.	Address of Secretary.	Receipts last year.	Receipts from beginning.	Auxiliary Societies.	Missionaries.	Native helpers.	Schools.
Woman's Union Missionary Society.	Eight Denomin.	1861.	"Missionary Link."	Miss S. D. Doremus, 47 E. 21st St., N. Y. City.	$33,995 91	$452,685 18		36		
Woman's Board of Missions.	Congregational.	1868.	"Life and Light for Woman." "Missionary Echoes in Well-Spring."	Miss A. B. Child, No. 1 Cong'l House, Beacon St., Boston, Mass.	67,925 21	406,534 51	1300	67	54	79
Woman's Board of Missions of the Interior.	"	1868.	"Life and Light for Woman."	Miss S. Pollock, 75 Madison Street, Chicago, Ill.	21,765 29	104,417 04	587	25	35	29
Woman's For. Miss'y Soc'y of the M. E. Church.	Methodist.	1869.	"Heathen Woman's Friend."	Mrs. L. H. Daggett, 36 Bromfield St., Boston, Mass.	67,698 27	404,000 00	2196	23	140	138
Woman's For. Miss'y Soc'y of the Pres. Church.	Presbyterian.	1870.	"Woman's Work for Woman." "Children's Work for Children."	Mrs. A. L. Massey, 1334 Chestnut St., Phila., Pa.	86,094 59	368,363 42	1143	87	146	104
Ladies' Board of Missions.	"	1870.	"Our Mission Field."	Mrs. W. P. Prentice, 9 West 16th St., N. Y. City.	24,536 98 for 18 mos.	112,348 05	301	22	29	25
Woman's Pres. Board of Missions for the N'west.	"	1871.	"Woman's Work for Woman."	Mrs. G. H. Laflin, 48 McCormick Block, Chicago, Ill.	25,390 79	93,049 31	558	24	41	99
Woman's Board of the Synod of Albany, N. Y.	"				5,759 27		79	6	6	
Woman's For. Missionary Society, Brooklyn, N. Y.	"				1,950 00					
Woman's Board, Troy, N. Y.	"				1,924 94					
Woman's Baptist Foreign Miss'y Society.	Baptist.	1871.	"Helping Hand."	Miss Mary E. Clarke, 13 Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.	35,925 09	150,643 93	700	21	25	34
Woman's Baptist Foreign Miss'y Soc'y of the West.	"	1871.	"Helping Hand."	Mrs. J. O. Brayman, Chicago, Ill.	12,892 39	56,516 74	576	8	17	19
Woman's Auxiliary of Epis. Board of Missions.	Prot. Episcopal.	1872.	"Spirit of Missions."	Miss J. C. Emery, 21 Bible House, N. Y. City.	34,738 44					
Woman's Board of Missions of the Pacific.	Congregational.	1873.		Mrs. S. P. Blakeslee, Oakland, Cal.	3,250 05	8,250 00				
Woman's Board of Missions of the Reformed Ch.	Reformed Dutch.	1875.		Miss A. P. Duryee, 40 Park Place, Newark, N. J.	3,825 57	6,716 72	33			

This Statement does not profess to be exact in every item of the columns of receipts. Where an exact result was impracticable, the latest approximation accessible was given.

OUR EXCHANGES.

THE first number of *Woman's Work in China* has made its appearance in this country, and fully equals the expectation awakened by its prospectus, which we gave a few months since. To convey some idea of the character of the magazine, and the value of the glimpses it gives us into the every-day work carried on by the ladies at each Protestant mission station in China, we quote from the salutatory:

"The Missionary Conference which met in Shanghai a few months since was an outcome of the desire for union. It assembled some of the workers in these ends of the earth, who had been scattered here and there (many in isolated positions), made them personally acquainted, enabled them to interchange thoughts and plans relative to the great work in which they were alike engaged, and widened sympathies that had, perhaps, been confined too exclusively to particular fields. When its sessions had closed, several of the ladies who had been numbered with its members were unwilling that the deep feeling of interest and friendship aroused by *their* brief intercourse should become only a pleasant memory. Neither did they wish that the information they had acquired of their co-workers at distant stations should be stored away to grow rusty in the decade of years that might elapse before another conference. They desired rather to keep it fresh and to add to it from time to time; and also to make their missionary sisters throughout China partakers in the influence of the associations they had themselves so enjoyed. Hence this magazine makes its appearance."

The *Missionary Link* has entered upon its eighteenth year, and the new volume contains letters of interest from many of the missionaries connected with the Union Missionary Society. Miss Nelson, of Virginia, has gone to the "Home" in Japan, in place of Miss Crosby, who has come to this country for rest. The 17th Annual Report of the Society shows that over $45,000 have been raised during the past year.

The March number of *The Lapi Oaye*, or *Word Carrier*, published by the Dakota Mission, has on its first page a picture of the

Signal Office, New York. We take it for granted that the Dakota article accompanying it is clear and interesting, judging from the part of the *Word Carrier* which we can comprehend.

Faith and Works, the sprightly organ of the Woman's Christian Association of Philadelphia, comes to us every month full of good things. The Seventh Annual Report shows that the work of the Association, in all its branches, is progressing finely.

A MISSIONARY'S IDEAS ABOUT STIMULANTS.

"There is one thing that hangs like a weight upon me all the time, and it is the feeling that I ought to be writing in a way to stimulate the work. I think this craving for special news from special fields all the time is a snare to the missionary. It presents a temptation to exaggeration, to the forcing of events, and to giving undue weight to one's own share in them. I do earnestly want to keep myself entirely in the background. I love the work and am very happy in it, but I desire to do it quietly, with God's eye, not man's, upon it and me. I know the seeming need of stimulants, but I am sure it is not healthy, and I think we ought to pray most earnestly for the time to come when Christians shall give to every work of the Lord out of full warm hearts, that need no arousing but the word, 'Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might.' But don't be alarmed, I will tell all there is to be told about the work here."

NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

Adair, Mrs. Catherine D.
Arms, Miss Clara W.
Babbitt, Mrs. W. H.
Brooks, Mrs. Peter H.
Caldwell, Mrs. Sarah S.
Coale, Rev. J. J.
Cook, Miss Kate
DeCamp, Mrs. Daniel
Dickson, Miss Jennie
Flanegin, Mrs. William M.
French, Mrs. Rebecca J.
Gregory, Miss Melissa
Hill, Rev. I. F.
Maclean, Miss Louisa
Sanson, Mrs. T. A.
Skillman, Miss Anne
Spaulding, Mrs. L. D.
Stewart, Mrs. R. C.
Sutton, Mrs. John
Taggart, Miss Maria
Vail, Mrs. Chas. E.
Vail, William P.
Waugh, Mrs. D. D.
Webster, Miss Sarah E.
Whitehead, Miss Sarah C.
Wikoff, Miss Anne
Wright, Miss Anne

NEW AUXILIARIES AND BANDS.

AUXILIARIES.

Philadelphia, Pres. Soc.
Philadelphia Central, Pres. Soc.
Allen Grove, W. Va., Washington Pres.
Carversville, Pa., Phila. N. Pres.
Dover, Del., New Castle Pres.
Mill Creek, Pa., Washington Pres.
Mt. Olivet, Pa., Washington Pres.
New Cumberland, W. Va., Washington Pres.
Odessa, Del., Drawyers Ch., New Castle Pres.
Philadelphia, Bethesda Ch., Phila. Central Pres.
Salisbury, Md., Wicomico Ch., New Castle Pres.
Utica, Pa., Erie Pres.
Wheeling, W. Va., 2d Ch., Washington Pres.

BANDS.

Cincinnati, O., 3d Ch. Band; 7th Ch., Lights for the Darkness.
Dover, Del., Cheerful Workers.
Marion, O., Luch-na-phian.
Mt. Zion Ch., O., Faithful and We Will.
Uniontown, Pa., Syrian Maids.

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, from March 1, 1878.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

ATHENS.—Athens Aux., $25, Barlow Aux., $9, Deerfield Aux., $5, Middleport Aux., $9 80 ($48 80), for Mexico; Marietta Aux., $61 50, Miss. Bd., $9 03 ($70 53), for sch. building, Oroomiah, . . $119 33

BALTIMORE.—Baltimore, Aisquetb st. Aux., for Miss'y, Lahore, $100; Central Ch., Aux., for Miss'y and sch., Lahore, $288, Joseph T. Smith Bd., $12 ($300); 2d Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Soochow, $403 52; Westminster Aux., for Miss'y, Lahore, $137 55, Shining Helpers, for sch'p, Futtehgurh, $30 ($167 55); Ladies of 1st Ch., Mrs. W. W. Spence, $50, Mrs. W. B. Canfield, $10, Mrs. C. Purviance, $10, Mrs. Webb, $4, Miss B. Morris, $10 ($84), for Miss'y, Lahore; Fallston Aux., for Miss'y and schs., Lahore, $25; Govano Chapel, $170 16; Williamsport Aux., for sch'p, Tungchow, $23 37, . . . 1273 60

BINGHAMTON.—Nineveh Aux., $73; Windsor Aux., for nat. tea., Furrukhabad, $48, ... 121 00

BLAIRSVILLE.—Armagh Aux., of which $10 for sch. building Mexico, $20; Livermore Aux., for nat. tea., Kolapoor, $43 25; Unity, Girls' Miss. Bd., for sch'p, Ningpo, $14 50, ... $77 75

BUTLER.—Butler Aux., for Mexico, $51 81, Gleaners for sch'p, Beirut, $60, . . 111 81

CARLISLE.—Carlisle Aux., 1st and 2d Chs., of which $50 for Miss'y, Syria, $65; Chambersburg, Central Ch. Aux., $52; Falling Spring Aux., for work Lahore, $63 60; Dickinson Aux., for sch'p, Ningpo, $40; Gettysburg, Master's Helping Bd., for sch'p, Sidon, $40 45; Greencastle Aux., sch'p, Beirut, $61, for Miss'y, Syria, $10, ($71); Harrisburg, Market Sq. Aux., for Miss'y, Syria, $50, Gleaners, for sch'p, Futteghurh, $30 35 ($80 35); Pine st. S. S., Mrs. Wierman's and Miss Clarke's classes, $51, Dr. Stine's class, $51 ($102) for 2 sch'ps, Sidon, Four Bands, for San Paulo sch., $26 80 ($128 80); Marsh Creek, Miss. Bd.,

$36 05; Mechanicsburg, Aux., for sch., Lahore, $50, for Miss'y, Syria, $25 ($75); Newville, Dew Drops, for Miss'y, Syria, $4; Shippensburg, Young Ladies' Circle, for sch'p, Tungchow, $40; Upper Strasburg Aux., for Miss'y, Syria, $11, . . $707 25

CHEMUNG.—Watkins, Golden Rule Bd., for work, Chefoo, 10 00

CHESTER.—Atglen Aux., $40; Avondale Aux., add., $1 45; Bryn Mawr Aux., for nat. tea., India, $60; Downingtown Aux., for sch'p, Dehra, $30 50; Great Valley, Miss. Bd., for zenana work, India, $100; Oxford Aux., for Woodstock, $62; West Chester Aux., for Miss'y, Syria, $90 47, Willing Hearts, for sch'p, Sidon, $51, Willing Hands, for sch'p, Gaboon, $20 40 ($161 87), . . 455 82

CLARION.—Brookville Aux., for sch., Abeih, $100; St. Petersburg Aux., $26, . 126 00

CLEVELAND.—Cleveland, Euclid av. Aux., $131, 1st Ch., Little Missionaries, $12, 2d Ch. Aux., $115 30 ($258 30), for Miss'y, Woodstock; Mem. Ch. Aux., $16, 2d Ch., $28 ($44), for missionaries' children; 2d Ch., Mary Seelye Bd., sch. Yokohama, $30; Seville Aux., for boarding school, Canton, $18; Tallmadge, Cheerful Workers, for sch., Yokohama, $30, ... 380 30

COLUMBUS.—Central College Aux., for zenana visitor, $12; Columbus, 1st Ch. Aux., $120; Hoge Aux., $17; Westminster Aux., $22 70; Mifflin Aux., $19 95 ($179 65), for Miss'y, Syria, 191 65

DAYTON.—Dayton Aux., for Miss'y, Brazil, $277 50 (for sch. Hangchow, $75); Mem. Ch. Aux., sch'p, Corisco, $25; 3d Ch. Miss. Bd., for Effie Hulse sch'p, Sidon, $50; Greenville Aux. (of which $10 from R. S. Eastman for missionaries' children), $18 55; Hamilton Aux. (of which $50 for Oroomiah Sem.) $100; Oxford Ch., for missionaries' children, $18 53; Seven Mile Aux., $20, . . . $584 58

ELIZABETH.—Cranford Aux., 1st Ch., $23 43; Elizabethport, Miss. Bd. (of which $10 from Mrs. E. M. King), for sch., Gaboon, $25; Metuchen Aux., for sch'p, Mynpurie, $36; Rahway, 1st Ch. Aux., for sch. building, Mexico, $73 39, Aux., $30, and Sharon Bd., $20 ($50), for sch'p, Sidon, ($123 39); Roselle Aux., $100; Summit Band, for sch'p, Dohra, $30; Woodbridge Aux., for nat. tea., Allahabad, $60, . . . 397 82

ERIE.—Erie, Park Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Yankton, $200; Gravel Run Aux., $14; North East Aux. (of which $30, for sch'p, Mynpurie), $60 87; Oil City Aux., for 2 scholarships, Futtehgurh, $30 30; Pleasantville Aux., for San Paulo sch.. $28; Sandy Lake Aux., $32 11; Titusville Aux., for San Paulo sch., $279 84, . . 645 12

GENEVA.—Phelps, Everett Bd., for sch'p, Beirut, $25 30, A Friend, birthday off., $10; Romulus Aux., for work, Allahabad, $58, . 93 30

HUDSON.—Monroe Aux., for work, Lahore, . . . 45 00

HUNTINGDON.—Academia Aux., $58; Altoona, Aux. 2d Ch., for Miss'y, Kolapoor, $37 50; Birmingham, Mountain Sem. Bd., $100; Huntingdon, J. Randolph Simpson Bd., for sch'p, Gaboon, $20; Port Royal, Stewart Circle, for Miss'y, Ningpo, $18; Unionville Aux., $6; Williamsburg Aux., for sch., Saharanpur, $50, S. S. Circle and Busy Bees, $14 20, . . . 303 70

KITTANNING.—Bethel Aux., for Miss'y, Brazil, $35; Brush Valley Aux., $9 10, Miss. Bd., $12 ($21 10); Cherry Run Aux., $9; El-

ders Ridge Miss. Bd., for sch'p, Benita, $19 50; Harmony Aux., $25, Jacksonville Aux., $50, Miss. Bd., $9, Union Aux., $40 ($124), for Miss'y, Brazil; Parker City Aux., for Ch. in California, $20; Slate Lick Aux., $64; Srader's Grove Aux., $24 90, Emma, Etta and Ella Srader's Mite Box, $3 50; West Glade Run Aux., for B. R., $50, S. S., for work, India, $20 ($70); West Lebanon Aux., (of which $40, for fam. suf., China), $85; Worthington Aux., $50, S. S., for work, India, $6 ($56), . . . $523 00

LACKAWANNA.—Canton Aux., $27 85; Honesdale Aux. (of which $100 for sch'p, Beirut, and $30 for sch'p, Oroomiah), $187; Hopeful Workers (of which $30 for sch'p, Benita), $40; Plymouth Aux., for sch., Syria, $50; Susquehanna Aux., $25, S. S., $25 ($50); Towanda Aux., for Miss'y, Corisco, $150, Stewart and Overton Bds., for 2 sch'ps, Corisco, $55 ($205); Wilkesbarre, Mem. Ch. Aux., for sch'p, Mexico, $100; Whosoever Will Bd., for San Paulo sch., $30, ... 689 85

MAHONING.—Brookfield Aux., $14, Ellsworth, Mrs. Cort, $10, Leetonia Aux., $21 04, Mrs. Allen, 60 cts. ($21 64), Mineral Ridge Aux., $20; Newton Falls Aux., $19 92, Niles Aux., $7, Salem Aux., $60, Sale of Memorial of Mrs. Maxwell, $10, Vienna Aux., $11 ($173 56), for Miss'y, Bogota; New Lisbon Aux., for sch. Saharanpur, $50; North Benton Aux., G. F., $36; Salem, S. S., $15, Infant Sch., $14, Amaranth Bd., $18 ($47), Youngstown, 1st Ch. Miss. Bd., $30 ($77), for sch. Bogota; Youngstown, 2d Ch. Aux., G. F., $9, . . 345 56

MARION.—Marion Aux., for G. F. $100, Luch-na-phian Bd., for sch'p, Corisco, $14 04 ($114 04); Marysville Aux., $39 55, . $153 59

MONMOUTH.—Allentown Aux., for San Paulo sch., $71 24; Beverly Aux., $28 25, Matawan Aux., $14 50 ($42 75), for missionary's trav. exp.; Cranbury, 2d Ch. Aux., for sch'p, Bangkok, $25, for Mrs. Van Dyke's work, $42 ($67); Holmanville Aux., for schs., Chefoo, $16; Mt. Holly Aux., for sch'p, Sidon, $50; Holly Branch Bd., for sch'p, Futtehgurh, $15, . 261 99

MORRIS AND ORANGE.—Boonton Aux., $62 78, Little Miss. Bd. $9 60, A Friend for L. M., $25 ($97 38); Mendham Aux., for sch., Khiyam, $61; Orange, 2d Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Tungchow, $126 50, for Gen. Fund, $10 ($136 50), . . 294 88

NEW BRUNSWICK. — Copper Hill Aux., for San Paulo sch., $30; Kingston Aux., for sch'p, Benita, $20 55; Lambertville, S. S. (of which $50, for sch'p, Sidon), $100; Princeton, 1st Ch. Aux., for zenana work, $68 45; Dale Bd., for Zahleh, $100; 2d Amwell Aux., for sch'p, Kolapoor, $19 15; Trenton, 1st, Golden Hour Circle, for sch'p, Yokohama, $25; 3d Ch. S. S., for sch'p, Dehra, $50, . . . 411 15

NEWCASTLE.—Lower W. Nottingham Aux., $105; Milford Aux., $10; Newark Aux., $24; Odessa (Drawyers Ch.), $20; Smyrna Aux., for Miss'y, Ningpo, $14 50; Wicomico Aux., $7, ... 180 50

NEWTON.—Belvidere, 2d Ch. Aux., $40, Paul Bd., $30 ($70); Blairstown Aux., for sch., Bogota, $88; Blair Hall Miss. Bd., for sch., Gaboon, $25; Bloomsbury Aux., for sch., Saharanpur, $41; Delaware Aux., $7 70; Hackettstown Aux., $22, Gleaners, for orphan, Saharanpur, $30 ($52);

Knowlton Aux., $13 70; Newtown Aux., for Miss'y, California, $30; Phillipsburg Aux., bal. for zenana visitor, Lahore, $20, . . $347 40

North River.—Poughkeepsie Aux., for sch., Jeditha, $170, for sch'p, Canton, $60, Industrial sch., Chefoo, $60, 290 00

Northumberland.—Williamsport, 2d Ch. Aux. (of which $50 for sch'p, Sidon), ... 60 00

Otsego.—Oneonta Aux., sch'p, Oroomiah, $35; Miss J E. Phillips, proceeds of picture, $5 50, . . . 40 50

Oregon.—Portland, 1st Ch. Aux., ... 50 00

Philadelphia.—Calvary Aux., for Miss'y, India, $450; Clinton st. Aux., $42; West Spruce st. Ch., John D. McCord, $25; Woodlands Aux., for Miss'y, Africa, $80 60; Centennial Bd., for Woodstock, $25, . 622 60

Philadelphia Central.—Alexander Ch. Aux., for sch., San Paulo, $108 80, R. C. C. Bd., for orphan, Sidon, $25 ($133 80); Arch st. Aux., for zenana visitor, India, $76, Mizpah Bd., for sch'p, Dehra, $30 ($106); Central Ch. Aux., for sch'p, Tungchow, $40; Chandler Aux., for sch., Saharanpur, $50; Cohocksink Aux., for Miss'y, Saharanpur, $122 74; Columbia av. Ch., $10; Immanuel Aux , $42; Oxford Aux., for Miss'y, Brazil, $200, Robbins Bd., for sch'p, Dehra, $30 ($230); Spring Garden Aux., for Miss'y, California, $50, Miss. Bd., for sch'p Mynpurie, $30 66 ($80 66), . 815 20

Philadelphia North.—Newtown, Kate Craven Bd., $15; Pottstown Aux., for sch'p, Mynpurie, $30; Providence Ch. Pastor's Aid Soc., $50, ... 95 00

Pittsburgh and Allegheny Com.—Alleg. 1st Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Kolapoor, $134, for G. Fund, $69 06, special for Gen. Fund, $175, Earnest Workers, for sch'p, Sidon, $51 ($429 06); Alleg. 2d Ch. Aux., for Rev. D. J. Stewart's work, San Luis Potosi, $25; Bethany Aux., $40 60; Bridgeville Aux., $27 50; Homestead Aux., $6, Workers for Jesus, $3 ($9), for Miss'y, Brazil; Millvale Ch., Alongo Clemens' Bd., for Clemens' sch'p, Corisco, $30; Pittsbg. Centl. Aux., for Miss'y, Futtehgurh, $25; Raccoon Aux., for sch., Petchaburi, $35 35; Sewickley Aux., for Miss'y, Kolapoor, $25; Swissvale, Miss. Bd., for sch'p, Ningpo, $40, . . $726 51

Portsmouth.—Mt. Leigh Aux., $12; Portsmouth, 2d Ch., Busy Bees, for work Gaboon, $18, . . . 30 00

Redstone.—Brownsville Aux. for sch., Sidon, $80; Elizabeth Aux., $45; Long Run Aux., for San Paulo sch., $50, Aux., $90 and Star Bd., $10, for B. R., India ($150); McKeesport Aux., for San Paulo sch., $90; Mt. Pleasant, Reunion Aux., $45; New Providence Aux., for B. R., Futtehgurh, $50; Pleasant Unity Aux., $32 41, Trusting Bd., $10 09 ($42 50); Tyrone Aux., $40, 542 50

Rochester.—Geneseo, Centl. Aux., for sch'p, Mexico, $50, for sch. building, Mexico, $5, ... 55 00

St. Clairsville.—Concord Aux., for trav. exp. Miss'y, 36 25

St. Lawrence.—Ogdensburg, 1st Ch. Aux., $120; Morning Star Bd., $20 ($140), for Miss'y, California, Morning Star Bd., for sch'p, Allahabad, $30 ($170); Oxbow Aux., for sch'p, Mynpurie, $30, ... 200 00

Shenango.—Enon Aux., $45, Miss. Bd., $30 ($75); Hermon Aux., $25, Little Beaver Aux., $33 03, N. Brighton, Selma Bd., $10; Newcastle, 1st Ch., Aux., $77, Little Gleaners, $8 30,

Little Jewels, $1 75 (87 05); New Castle, 2d Ch. Aux., $50, Y. L. M. B., $15 ($65), Petersburg Aux., $5, ($300 08), for Miss'y, Canton; Pulaski Aux., $40; Unity Ch., Willing Workers, $3; W. Middlesex Aux., for Miss'y, Canton, $40, Light Bearers, $10, S. S., $26, for San Paulo school, ($76), ... $419 08

STEUBEN.—Plattsburg Aux., for sch., Bogota, . . 41 50

SYRACUSE.—Skaneateles Aux., $47 38; Syracuse, 4th Ch. (of which $160 63 for Miss'y, Japan), $233 34, . . 280 72

UNION.—Knoxville, 2d Ch. Aux., $33 70; Willing Hands, $25; Cross Bearers, $5 15, for Miss'y, Japan, . 63 85

UTICA.—Oneida Aux., . . 47 77

WASHINGTON.—Claysville Aux., for Miss'y, Tungchow, $50; Cross Creek Aux., for Gen. Fund, $33; Holliday's Cove Aux., for Panalla, $38; Upper Buffalo Aux., for Miss'y, Tungchow, $125; Washington, 1st Ch., Juno Rose Buds, for work in California, $18 33; Wheeling, 1st Ch., for Miss'y, Rawal Pindi, $160, Cherith Bd., for sch'p, Dehra, $35 ($195), 459 33

WASHINGTON CITY.—N. Y. Av. Ch., Youth's Miss. Assoc., for school, Canton, . 100 00

WEST CHESTER.—South Salem Aux., for sch., Syria, . . 100 00

WEST JERSEY. — Bridgeton Aux., for Miss'y, Woodstock, $301; Cape May Aux., $31 55; Cedarsville Aux., $15 50, for Woodstock; Glassboro' Aux., $23, S. S., Bds., $27 ($50), for Mexico, ... 398 05

WESTMINSTER. — Chanceford Aux., for Miss'y, Woodstock, $76; Lancaster Aux., for nat. tea., Canton, $50; Slate Ridge Aux., for Mexico, $20; Slateville Aux. (of which $46 for Davenport sch., Mynpurie), $64, . $210 00

WOOSTER.—Chippewa Aux., $9 75; Hopewell Aux., $26 25; Orrville, Y. L. M. S., $30, ... 66 00

ZANESVILLE.—Utica Aux., . 25 00

LEGACIES.—Mrs. Sophia Dodd, dec'd, 1st Ch., Bloomfield, N. J., $1688 82: Miss Adelaide Rogers, dec'd, Oxford, Ohio, $300, . . 2100 82

MISCELLANEOUS.—Akron, N. Y., A Friend, for San Paulo sch., $5; Bacon Springs, N. Mexico, Mr. Wm. Crane, for sch. building, Mexico, $5; Creston, Neb., Mrs. E. H. Williams, $20; Dresden, O., Friends, for fam. suf. China, $3: Ellsworth, O., Miss H. Bingham, $1 40; Hoboken, N. J., Mrs. T. P. Rogers, $2; Lawton, N. Y., A Friend of Missions, $1 40; Mt. Joy, Pa., Mrs. S. R. Browne, $1; Mt. Pleasant, O., E. H., and M. L. M'Gee, $2; Orange, N. J., Wm. P. Vail, to con. himself L. M., $25; Ostrander, O., Mrs. Wm. M. Flanegin, to con. herself, L. M., $25; Philadelphia, 1st Ref. Ch., Woodside Aux., for 2 schp's, Dehra, $120; Windham, O., Cong. Ch., Sale of Chinese curiosities, for fam. suf., China, $15; Sale of Leaflets and Hymn books, $5 59; Maps, $1 01, . . 232 40

Total for March, 1878, . . $16,836 03
Previously acknowledged, 38,713 70

Total Receipts from May 1, 1877, to April 1, 1878, $55,549 73

The Aux. Soc. of Marysville, O., has sent a box to the Indian Mission at Odanah, Wis., valued at $25.

The Aux. Soc., Central Ch., and the Female Evening Class, School st. Chapel, Allegheny, Pa., have sent boxes of clothing to the Indian school, Flandreau, Dakota Territory, valued each at $25.

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April 1, 1878.

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Northwestern Department.

JAPAN.

Mrs. M. T. True.

Tokio, February 9, 1878.

I saw by the notice in *Woman's Work* that the scholarships asked for and also the "incidental fund" had been granted, for which I am very thankful. The six scholarships are not all used just now, but will be needed, doubtless, soon. I wish to ask to be allowed to use one of them for the support of a woman who is now commencing some outside work under my direction. She was at one time employed by Mrs. Carrothers, and went with her to Kiroshima, and then, when Mrs. Carrothers went home, remained in Kobi with the American Board Mission. She wished to return to Tokio, as her aged mother lived here, and her home had always been here. I felt that it was best to improve the opportunity to secure her services, and trust to the Lord to provide for her support. I pay her just the same that the support of a girl costs per month, but as she will be with us all the time, I must count her salary $60 a year, instead of $50, as the scholars are away two months in summer. She has a sewing-class for poor girls twice a week, visits the women in their homes, and teaches them about the true God. I wish you could have seen the three women who were present this morning. They looked the very picture of amazement as they heard that Jesus died *willingly* for *sinners*. I long to spend my time in this kind of work, rather than in teaching English, and yet I would not underrate the value of schools. They are *very necessary* to the success of mission work here at present, and will be for years to come, I suppose, but I wish to work for the women in their homes. They are so utterly ignorant of the way of salvation, and many of them are so bright and interesting that I can hardly realize that they are "altogether dead in sin."

CHILI, SOUTH AMERICA.

REV. S. W. CURTIS, TALCA.

. . . MR. SAYRE, who was here seven years, from 1868 to 1875, had a small day-school, which his wife taught until her death, in 1871; since then the school has been discontinued. We ought to have one, but we have had no means to sustain it. It is very difficult to sustain one here, as very few parents would send their children to a school under the care of Protestants. Still, I have no doubt a school could be started in our house, that in time would increase and assist us. Mrs. Sayre succeeded very well, as she was well acquainted with the language and the manners and customs of the people. I know we should have a school, and as my wife does not have time to devote to it, I feel quite sure that a young lady, energetic and patient, would be able to begin one. I wish some one would come. She could live with us, and we could have the school at first in our own house. Perhaps next year this can be done. The language is very easily acquired. In three months' time any one can begin work; the expense would not be very great, and it seems to me that it would be a great help to the cause here. . . . I have just written to Dr. Ellinwood about the school. I do hope something can be done, and that some one will come and devote all her time to the work. These poor people do not know how to work, and it would be well to teach them many things. I can see what Mrs. Sayre did: those girls come to our service now, and still speak of her and her work. . . . I suppose the Society does not feel able to support more missionaries in Chili now, but this school would be conducted economically in every respect, and would be just as useful as any other.

. . . We have a service in Spanish every Sabbath, but no Sabbath-school. I began a service Wednesday evening—a Bible-class—but the unpleasant weather came on, and those who attended at first did not come later. I could not sustain it. Our attendance is from ten to fifteen persons; few, but they are very regular and attentive; we need a great deal of patience. Talca is not a very encouraging field of labor, still there are a few who encourage us. I suppose not more than one-fifth of the people can read or write,

and in the rural districts a smaller proportion still. They are prejudiced against foreigners, and especially Protestants. The women are very religious in their way, as they all go to church, however unpleasant the weather may be. Each one carries a rug to kneel on, as there are no chairs or seats in the churches, and the pavement is of brick, stone or marble. Some of the men go, many more here than in Santiago or Valparaiso. Many poor men go in their everyday clothes, ragged and dirty, as they have no other. Very few of the men of business and education go. Some go with the ladies, but generally they spend their time in the club, reading the daily papers, smoking, walking the streets and going to the theatre or other places of amusement. The Sabbath is a grand holiday, and the question is, How can we amuse ourselves? Horse-races, theatres, balls, parties of pleasure, and music, distract the mind and make one forget that it is the Sabbath. The great mass of the people are in ignorance, and the children are growing up in ignorance; there seems little hope for them. Although the people do not suffer from cold as they do in the United States, still there is more distress and suffering here than we think. Drunkenness and crime are very common. A walk through the back streets will convince any one that two-thirds of the people of this city are miserably poor, ignorant and dirty, living in huts of adobe, without windows. There are wealthy people, well educated and refined; but the number is very small compared with the common people, who are no better than slaves, and are living in a manner little removed from slavery. They receive very little for their work, and look like some of the dirty Indians of the West. Some of them are part Indian.

MEXICO.

Rev. Maxwell Phillips, Zacatecas.

. . . All the mission work in this country has suffered greatly from the disturbances incident to the revolution, and Zacatecas more than most places. . . . The Cos schools are going on steadily. We have two there, one for boys and one for girls. The number of pupils in each varies from twenty to fifty, according to the time

of the year and to the teacher. We had to change teachers for both this year, which set the schools back some, as a number went to the public school; but now the number is getting up again. They are taught in both schools reading, writing, arithmetic, grammar (Spanish, of course), history, geography and the Shorter Catechism; the girls are taught plain sewing and embroidery besides. We consider Cos to be one of the most hopeful places for the young here in northern Mexico, as in that town fully one-half are either inclined to Protestantism or openly Protestant. The cause of our having to change the teacher of the girls' school was, that one of our young preachers, or students for the ministry, considered that he had more need for a wife than we had for a teacher; and as she seemed to share his convictions we were obliged to seek for another. She was formerly a pupil of the school, and is, I think, worthily qualified to fill her present responsible place. In the summer the boys' school has only about twenty or twenty-five, as many of the boys go out to work on their fathers' farms near by; but in September it will amount to fifty.

I should not have omitted to mention that in both of these schools the Bible is read daily and prayer offered. They also frequently sing one of our evangelical hymns at opening. They all live with their families or friends, and we have no orphanages. Besides the schools at Cos we have a small school at Fresnillo and one at Moral.

CHINA.

Miss Hattie Noyes.

Canton, January 18, 1878.

I wonder if you can imagine how glad we are to receive our letters from "the beautiful land," as the Chinese call America. Another name they have for our dear home land is "the land of the flowery flag." . . . We had nearly two weeks in San Francisco, but we formed many pleasant friendships and the time passed quickly. Day after day, as the overland mail came in, we found that it had brought some one to join our party, and before we sailed we counted up *fourteen* missionaries. So you can imagine

we had a pleasant voyage across the broad Pacific. We were favored also in having good weather, and were only twenty-five days in making the voyage from San Francisco to Hong-kong. We reached Canton December 3d, and found a warm welcome from our loved missionary circle awaiting us. The next day the Chinese Christians (the women) planned a reception for us in the chapel. You will easily believe that it was very pleasant for us. It was their own idea, and they made all the arrangements and carried them out themselves, without any assistance or suggestions whatever from any one. Two of the Bible-readers and one of the teachers led the meeting. They had singing and prayers, addresses of welcome, to which Lillie and I responded. I imagine it is the first large meeting of women that has been held in China, and we were all very much delighted to see how well they managed it.

One of the Bible-women told me that while I have been away over twenty of those whom she has instructed have been received into the Church We miss some dear familiar faces from our missionary circle: some that we shall never see again until we find them in "our Father's house." Our own mission seems very sadly reduced in numbers, but we know that it is the Lord of the harvest who has called His laborers home, and He can send others to fill the vacant places in His own time and way. I often wish that the workers at home could see the mission field as we see it here in its vastness, its great need and limitless opportunities. But it is difficult to write of it, and we feel that our words seem cold and lifeless when they reach the other side of the world. But it is very cheering to us to think how many earnest workers there are at home who have taken the mission-work home to their hearts in such a way that we know that their interest will never flag.

"For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations."

Home Work.

WOMAN'S WORK A GIFT.

(EXTRACTS from paper read before the Woman's Pres. Society, at Rockford, Ill., October, 1877, by Miss Esther Hyde.)

Wherein is woman's mission work a gift to her? We find woman's first call to work in the fact of her being first in the transgression of the fall; then she placed herself under fearful obligations. When Eve first felt the power of sin, and, added to the upbraidings of her own conscience, her husband charged her with his ruin and that of the race, she must have been overwhelmed with despair. Then the black storm-clouds of God's wrath swept over them; the peaceful groves of Eden echoed the dread thunder of His call, "Adam, where art thou?" The stern, sharp lightning of His eye drove the guilty pair in terror from the garden and forever barred its gates. When Cain was born she thought the promised Saviour had come, and joyfully cried, "I have gotten a man from the Lord." She soon found her mistake, however, and lived to see every evil fruit of her seed of sin developed. She knew herself unworthy to be the mother of the Saviour of her race. After her time we read of many women who had their work of faith and prayer and active service; among them were Sarah, and the mothers of Moses and of Samuel, Deborah, Miriam, Esther and Ruth.

Yet, in almost every nation loaded with contempt, the slave of man, and regarded as without a soul, the full weight of the curse fell upon woman's devoted head. She went down to the bottom of the valley of humiliation; there love and mercy found her; there she received from them her mission gift; it was there, from her own sufferings, she learned to wipe the tear of sorrow from the eye and the death dew from the brow; there, too, she led young childhood gently through its tender years, and stamped upon its soul all of good and noble it ever possessed. Long before the angels started from the gates of Heaven, on their way down to the

shepherds of Bethlehem, Mary sang to Elizabeth, "My soul doth magnify the Lord . . . for He hath regarded the low estate of His hand-maiden; for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. . . . He hath holpen His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy, as He spake to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever." Through woman came the fall; through her, too, came redemption. Who would dare to question her right, her gift of mission work? Man may argue and scoff; she sits at the Master's feet and learns. He may scourge and crucify; she weeps and anoints. Fierce, armed soldiers pace to and fro before the tomb; she comes at earliest dawn to perform her last, loving service to her Lord. At the sepulchre Jesus gave back to woman her lost position—"one in Christ Jesus with her brother, man." He gave it with the command, "Go tell them I am risen again." Her heart was filled with great joy, while her feet ran in swift obedience. Had she been unfaithful, or regarded her own ease, what would have been our position to-day? But she fully proved her call by her courage, fortitude and zeal to do or suffer, to prison or to death. Pityingly she turned towards her sisters yet in heathenism. Dorcas formed a sewing society for the poor. They formed prayer-meetings, one at the house of Mary, the mother of Mark, where, in answer to prayer, Peter was released from prison by an angel. There was one, too, at Philippi, by the river-side, when Lydia was converted. . . . And now, the heavenly gales are sweeping over the lands, stirring all hearts with their reviving breath. The heathen nations are waking from the long sleep of ages. We hear the clanking of heavy chains. Above the ocean's roar, with most piteous wailing our heathen sisters ask us for the bread of life. It is the Spirit's call. No hand but ours can reach them. Must they perish? Have we no gift to labor for them? Not alone to those who go out as missionaries does the call come. Shut your eyes to it as you may, it haunts you everywhere. It enters your homes of ease, and cries, "Awake, O sleeper, and call upon thy God!" It comes to your dwellings of wealth and fashion, and asks, "How much owest thou unto my Lord?" It looks into your purse, and says, "Self, or Jesus and your heathen sisters?"

In the festive circle it whispers, "I should sing for Jesus." In your daily cares or sick room it intrudes and claims a share in your plans, saying, "Work, pray, suffer, think for Jesus and those for whom He died." It steals in at eventide, and in the silent night reminds you of Calvary, and pleads with you as no friend on earth can do, for those He has intrusted to your keeping—to yours alone. Over and over again repeats the story of the unused talent, and applies it to your opportunities swiftly passing. Such is woman's gift for mission work.

HARVEST.

'Twas the fairest morn of summer,
  Not a cloud was seen o'erhead;
From the azure vault of Heaven
  Every star at last had sped;
And the air was cool and bracing,
  Filled with freshness and perfume
By the flowers of early summer
  That in such profusion bloom.

The sweet voice of many songsters
  Warbled through the balmy air
Praises to the One that made them
  For His loving, thoughtful care.
All the earth was filled with gladness,
  And men's hearts were light and free,
For the calm and quiet morning
  Breathed its peace o'er land and sea.

Now, at last, the sun had risen
  O'er the tree-tops on the hill;
And it cast its silvery sunbeams
  O'er each lakelet, stream and rill,
On the forests, heaths and meadows
  Giving forth its radiant light;
But it seemed to shine the brightest
  On the harvest fields so white.

'Twas the morning of the harvest,
  And the farmer and his men,
With their sickles, reapers, gleaners,
  Forth towards the harvest wend;

Each has had his task allotted
  By the master of the farm,
And each now goes forth to labor
  With a willing heart and arm.

Some were reapers, some were gleaners,
  Others, binders of the grain;
And still others go to shock it,
  To protect from falling rain;
Not a man in all that harvest
  That has not his task to do,
Yet ofttimes the hale and hearty
  Help the feeble, weak ones through.

As I looked upon that harvest,
  With its fields already white,
And that band of cheerful workers
  On that summer's day so bright,
Seemed a still, small voice to whisper,
  "Hear the message sent to you,
For Christ's harvest now is ready,
  But His laborers are few.

"He hath need of reapers, gleaners,
  Binders, gatherers of sheaves,
Those to go and cut with sickles
  What the reaper often leaves;
Those to go among the brambles
  Where the single heads oft grow,
And to pluck them out and save them,
  Lest they perish in the snow.

"Hear the message which He sends you,
  He hath need of you to-day;
'Come,' He says, 'and labor with me,
  Whatsoe'er is right I'll pay;
Through your weak and feeble efforts
  Many a sheaf may garnered be,
If you come into my harvest
  And there labor now with me.

"'Nay, your weakness need not keep you;
  If you have not strength to bind,
Seek ye out the lone, waste places,
  And the single heads there find;

If you cannot be a reaper,
  Or a gleaner of the grain,
You, perchance, at least can gather
  To protect from falling rain.' "

Thus God sent His message to me
  By that voice so calm and still,
And His Spirit gave the answer,
  "By Thy grace, my Lord, I will."
So, at last, with feeble footsteps,
  To His harvest fields I come;
And I hope at last to gather
  One bright sheaf to carry home.

THE prices of the maps noticed in the November number of *Woman's Work* are necessarily changed. We append the new price-list. The maps have been improved; are painted with black oil paint on white cotton cloth, and give the stations of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. Number 1 size is no longer made. Size No. 2, 1½ by 2 yards. No. 3, 2½ by 3 yards.

	No. 2.	No. 3.		No. 2.	No. 3.
China, ...	$4 00	$6 00	South America, . .	$5 00	$7 00
Mexico and New Mexico,	4 00	6 00	Japan, ...	5 00	7 00
India, ...	4 00	6 00	Persia, ...	3 00	5 00
Siam, ...	2 00	4 00	Syria, ...	5 00	7 00
Gaboon and Corisco, .	3 00	5 00	Set of nine maps, . .	25 00	45 00

Map of the Indian Reservations in the United States, size 3 by 4 yards, $15.
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Carlyle, Kansas.
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Grand Tower, Ill.
Paris, Ill.
Riverside, Ill.
Schuyler, Nebraska.

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Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions for the Northwest, to March 20, 1878.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

ALTON.—Troy, Excelsior Bd., sch'p, Bangkok, . . . $15 00

AUSTIN.—Austin, . . . 5 00

BELLEFONTAINE. — Bellefontaine W. M. S., $37; Miss. Bd., sup. sch'p, Siam, $40; Bucyrus, sup. B. woman, Shanghai, $72; Galion, $8 50, ... 157 50

BLOOMINGTON.—Buckley, $19 07; Heyworth, $20; Onarga W. M. S., $11; Pierson Bd., $4, . . . 54 07

CAIRO.—Du Quoin, . . 11 00

CEDAR RAPIDS.—Blairstown, Repka Bd., sup. pastor's wife, Persia, $24 93; Linn Grove, $50; Marion, $1; Springville, $2 30; Wyoming W. M. S., $30 48; "The Sisters," $25, . . 133 71

CHICAGO.—Austin Children's Bd., $12 12; Chicago, 1st Ch. W. M. S., sal. Mrs. Jessup, $96 66; sch. at Beirut, $8 34; *special*, for Syria, $15; Young People's Soc., $48 25; Mrs. Pearsons, sup. pupil, Oroomiah, $33; 2d Ch., W. M. S., deficiency of the Board, $76 26; Gen. Fund, $15 68; Mrs. C. C. Peck, sch'p, Chefoo, $40; 3d Ch., sal. Mrs. Kelso, $104; 4th Ch., $17 75; Reunion Ch., fam. suf., Chefoo, $5 33; 41st St. Ch., $12 21; Evanston S. S., for Mrs. Robertson, Creek Nation, $50; for sch., Chefoo, $51; Lake Forest W. M. S., $15; Steady Streams, $12 59; Joliet, 1st Ch., $11; Hyde Park, Reapers, for school, Soochow, $15; Nimble Needles, Mt. sch., Persia, $21; Kankakee, $25, ... 685 19

DAYTON.—Oxford, Western Female Seminary, . . 26 97

DES MOINES. — Centreville, $5 25; Des Moines, $42 10; Newton, $9 75; Oskaloosa, $26 60; Russell, $13, . 96 70

DETROIT.—Detroit W. M. S., sal. Mrs. Lucas, $235; Richardson Miss. Bd., sch'p, Ningpo, *gold*, $40; Milford, The Sunbeams, for Mexico, $15; Pontiac, $20, . . $310 00

DUBUQUE.—Independence, sal. Miss Pratt, . . . 75 00

FT. WAYNE.—Elkhart W. M. S., $20 15; Miss. Bd., $6; Goshen, $70 29; Kendallville W. M. S., $5 50; S. S., $15 50; Lima, $45; Ossian, $2 70, ... 165 14

FREEPORT.—Lena, $12 07; Winnebago, Miss Schmucker's passage, $35 50, . . 47 57

GRAND RAPIDS.—Grand Rapids, 1st Ch., $10; Ionia, B. woman, Mynpurie, $46, 56 00

HURON.—Elmore, . . . 6 75

INDIANAPOLIS. — Acton, sal. Miss Eldred, $8; Bloomington, $10 50; Franklin, sal. Mrs. Warren, $36 80; Indianapolis, 1st Ch., W. M. S., sal. Mrs. Van Hook, $100, *gold*; Chinese Home, San Francisco, $2; Gen. Fund, $10; Early Workers, Mrs. True's Bible work, $20; Gen. Fund, $1; 2d Ch., sal. Miss Eldred, $200; 3d Ch., for same, $23 75; 4th Ch., same, $6 75; 7th Ch., same, $4; Hopewell Ch., same, $8 25, . . . 431 05

IOWA.—Mt. Pleasant, $25; Mediapolis, sch. at Futtehgurh, $10; Morning Sun, $50; New London, $8; Ottumwa, $12 50, . . 105 50

KALAMAZOO. — Constantine W. M. S., pupil, Mynpurie, $12 50; Happy Workers, *special*, for Miss Cort, Siam, $27 11; Kalamazoo Fem. Sem., $30; Niles, $50, . 119 61

LIMA.—Arcadia and Enon Valley, $10; Lima, school in Syria, $33, . . . 43 00

LOGANSPORT.—Laporte W. M. S., $65 40 ($31 58 sup. Mrs. Warren); Young People's Soc., $57 85 ($25 20,

sal. Mrs. Warren); Logansport, 1st Ch., two pupils, Canton, $28 30; Meadow Lake Ch., $7 39; Michigan City, sal. Mrs. Warren, $21 50; Mishawaka, sch. in Syria, $17 85; Pisgah Ch., $7; Rolling Prairie, $10; Valparaiso, sal. Mrs. Warren, $24 85; B. woman, $7 50, ... $247 64

MANKATO.—Blue Earth City, Mt. sch. in Persia, $12; Mankato, sal. Miss Downing, $75; St. Peter, $7 82, 94 82

MILWAUKEE.—Delafield, Children and Mrs. M—— pledge, $20; Milwaukee, Immanuel Ch., sch. at Futtehgurh, $50; Willing Hearts and Willing Hands, sch'p, Japan, $50, . . 120 00

MONROE.—Quincy, pupil, Mynpurie, $12 50; Gen. Fund, $5 50, . . . 18 00

MUNCIE.—La Gro, $1 50; Muncie, sch'p, Chefoo, $40; Noblesville, $4 50; Portland, $10; Tipton, $10; Wabash, Little Gleaners, $25, ... 91 00

NEBRASKA CITY.—Lincoln, . 50 00

NEOSHO.—Carlyle, $3 35; Iola, $1, ... 4 35

NEW ALBANY.—Seipio, . 4 00

PEORIA.—Canton, sup. tea., Rawal Pindi, $28; Delavan, $6 50; Lewiston, sup. sch. Shahahad, $43 75; Peoria, 1st, sch. at Futtehgurh, $33 80; 2d, W. M. S., for same, $25 80; Miss. Bd., $24 49; Princeville, sup. tea. at Allahabad, *gold*, $50; Washington, $15; Yates City, $3 20, . . 230 54

ROCK RIVER.—Aledo, $20 ($10 for Mrs. Corbett's work); Sterling, sch'p, Dehra, $27 55, . . . 47 55

ST. PAUL.—Minneapolis, Westminster Ch., Light Bearers, sal. Miss Downing, $16 45; Andrews Ch. sal. Miss Downing, $24 35; Pine City, for same, $15; St. Paul, House of Hope Ch., same, $75: sch. at Beirut, $50; Stillwater, 1st, $21 41; 2d, $25; Red Wing, 1st, $60 30, ... $287 51

SCHUYLER.—Camp Point, sup. pupil, Peking, $20; Carthage, $21, ... 41 00

SPRINGFIELD.—North Sangamon, $16; Petersburg, $5 75, ... 21 75

VINCENNES. — Gosport, Bethany S. S., "Incidental Fund," Tokio, $4; Princeton, $15; Upper Indiana Ch., $12; Evansville, Grace Ch., $35, ... 66 00

WATERLOO.—Cedar Falls, $20; Waterloo, sal. Miss Pratt, $17, ... 37 00

WINNEBAGO.—Fond du Lac, $15; Juneau, $6 50, . . 21 50

WINONA.—Albert Lea, sup. sch. Shanghai, $25; Rochester, sal. Miss Downing, $36; Wykoff, sup. sch. Shanghai, $10 82, . . 71 82

WISCONSIN RIVER.—Kilbourn City, towards sup. tea., Johanan, Persia, ... 17 00

ZANESVILLE.—Granville, sup. sch. at Futtehgurh, . . 31 60

MISCELLANEOUS.—Indiana, A mother in Israel, for Theo. Sem., Persia, $5; Lacon, Ill., Mrs. A. M. Ford, $2; Hopkins, Mo., Mrs. Mary Gilchrist (84 years), earned by knitting, $2, and Mrs. J. Frost, $1; McDonald, Pa., M. M. McDonald, *special*, for Kausilla, with Mrs. Tracy, $10 20; Publishing report, $1; "Extra Fund," $9 75; Returned by Miss Whiting, $18 50; Chicago, A Friend, for sch. at Karalan, Persia, $5, . . 54 45

Total, ... $4102 29

In March *Woman's Work*, the sums from 3d and 4th Churches, Indianapolis, should be for Miss Eldred, and the $20 from Young People's Circle, should be Young Ladies' Circle, Bloomington, Ind.

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